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Addendum

II. Annotations

E. General segment

6. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations: reporting to the Economic and Social Council on the follow-up to the World Food Summit

At its resumed organizational session for 1999, the Economic and Social Council decided to discontinue its quadrennial consideration of progress reports on the implementation of the decisions of the World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development and invited the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations to transmit to the Council every four years, starting in 1999, a report prepared by the Committee on World Food Security on progress in the implementation of the World Food Summit Plan of Action, highlighting its linkages with the coordinated and integrated follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits undertaken by the United Nations system (Council decision 1999/212).

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Committee on World Food Security

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7. Coordination, programme and other questions

Long-term programme of support for Haiti

At its resumed organizational session for 1999, the Economic and Social Council took note of paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 1212 (1998) of 25 November 1998, in which the Economic and Social Council had been invited to contribute to the elaboration of a long-term programme of support for Haiti; decided to create an Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti; and also decided that the Group should submit its recommendations to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1999, for its consideration (Council resolution 1999/4).

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti

13. Economic and environmental questions

Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

At its fifty-third session, the General Assembly adopted resolution 53/107 entitled "Implementation of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations related to assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions", in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, reaffirmed the important role of the Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Committee for Programme and Coordination in mobilizing and monitoring, as appropriate, the economic assistance efforts by the international community and the United Nations system to States confronted with special economic problems arising from the carrying out of preventive or enforcement measures imposed by the Security Council and, as appropriate, in identifying solutions to the special economic problems of those States, and decided to transmit the report of the ad hoc expert group meeting on developing a methodology for assessing the consequences incurred by third States as a result of preventive or enforcement measures and on exploring innovative and practical measures of international assistance to the affected third States, to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1999.

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General (E/1999/51)

14. Social and human rights questions

(h) Human rights

Request for an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice

At its substantive session of 1998, the Economic and Council requested an advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice on the legal question of the applicability of article VI, section 22, of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations in the case of Dato' Param Cumaraswamy as Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the independence of judges and lawyers (Council decision 1998/297).

Documentation

Letter dated 5 May 1999 from the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the President of the Economic and Social Council (E/1999/49)